## ***The Oral History***

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## ***Types of Oral History Interviews***

- The Exit Interview (AR 870-5 p. 8-3)
- The Biographical Interview
- The Subject Interview
- The After Action Interview or Combat After Action Interview (CAAI)

## ***The Requirements for Recording an Interview***

- DA Form 7273-R (Access Agreement for Oral History Material
- Research the Mission and Classification Requirements
- Maintain Original Tapes and Transcripts
- Provide Copies of All Documents to CMH, CALL, and MHI

## ***Resources for Conducting Background Research***

US Army Green Books

Operational Records

CMH & MHI Collections

Military Reference Branch, Nation Archives and Records Branch

National Personnel Records Center

## ***Technique Options to Conducting an Interview***

- Sound and Video recordings
- Transcribed Interviews
- Interview Notes and Memoranda

***These techniques supplement but do not replace official documents***

## ***The Interview***

- Prepare a question list
- Set the proper atmosphere
- Have proper and functional equipment
- Be confident
- Ask direct questions
- Have interviewee explain acronyms and jargons